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FINDINGS OF NUEPA
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the study conducted by the National University of Educational Planning and Administration(NUEPA) about half of the 27 lakh elementary school teachers in India have not studied beyond Senior Secondary level;

(b) if so, whether the survey has given the State-wise percentage of such teachers in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any criteria for the educational qualification of teachers at primary level;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Union Government has issued any instructions to States under SSA about the qualification of such teachers; and

(g) if so, the steps taken or are being taken on the report of NUEPA?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) collects elementary school statistics annually through the District Information System (DISE) from all districts in the country. Based on DISE data 2006-07,44.01% of regular elementary school teachers possess academic qualification upto higher secondary level.

(b)and(c) State-wise number and percentage of regular elementary school teachers with academic qualification upto higher secondary level is at Annexure.

(d)to(g) The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) has laid down the minimum educational and professional qualifications for appointment of teachers in schools, which are reviewed from time to time. States are required to bring theirteacher recruitment rules in conformity with the qualifications prescribed by NCTE.The NCTE also provides for relaxation in case special circumstances warrant such relaxation.The minimum educational and professional qualifications for teachers at primary level, fixed by NCTE,are as follows:

Level	Minimum academic and professionalqualification
Primary	i) Senior secondary school certificate or intermediate or its equivalent and
	ii) Diploma or certificate in basic teacher's training of a duration not less than 2 years or Bachelor of Elementary Education.